## STATE OF ALASKA DIVISION OF ELECTIONS

## ORDER AND NOTICE OF ELECTION OF THE PROPOSED DISSOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SKAGWAY AND INCORPORATION OF A FIRST-CLASS SKAGWAY BOROUGH

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of AS 29.05.110 - 29.05.120, an election will be held in the proposed Skagway borough area on Tuesday, June 5, 2007 to determine:

- 1. Shall the Municipality of Skagway be incorporated as a first-class borough? Under AS 29.06.450(c), incorporation of the Municipality of Skagway will result in the concurrent dissolution of the existing City of Skagway. (Approval of this incorporation proposition will authorize the Municipality of Skagway to levy sales and hotel room taxes at the same rate currently levied by the City of Skagway; i.e., a four percent sales tax and an eight percent hotel room tax).
- If a majority of votes are cast in favor of the incorporation of the Municipality of Skagway, the Municipality of Skagway will be served by a mayor, six borough assembly members, and five school board members, all elected at large.

The election will be held Tuesday, June 5, 2007, and will be under the administration and supervision of the Director of Elections. The proposed borough is to be named the Municipality of Skagway. The boundaries ordered for the proposed borough are those in the petition approved by the Local Boundary Commission by its Statement of Decision dated January 11, 2007.

Candidates for the office of Mayor, Municipal Assembly, and School Board must be qualified voters and must reside within the boundaries of the proposed Skagway borough area, and will be elected on an "at large" basis.

Individuals seeking office on the initial mayor, municipal assembly, or school board and desiring to have their name appear on the ballot must file nominating petitions that include the name and address of the nominee and a statement of the nominee that the nominee is qualified under the provisions of Alaska Statute Title 29 for the office of mayor or assembly or Alaska Statute Title 14 for the office of school board. Petitions to nominate the mayor and assembly must include the signature and resident address of 50 voters in the area of the proposed municipality. AS 29.05.120(c). Signed petitions must be received by the Director of Elections, P.O. Box 110017, Juneau, AK 99811-0017 by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 23, 2007.

Any person who is a qualified voter and has resided within the boundaries of the proposed Skagway borough since February 7, 2007 (30 days before the date of this election order) may vote in this election. AS 29.05.110(b).

The election will be conducted in the general manner as prescribed by the Alaska Election Code and will be conducted by mail in accordance with AS 15.20.800, 6 AAC 25.590 and 6 AAC 27.010 through 27.175. There will be no polling place open for regular in-person voting on election day. An Absentee Voting Official (AVO) will be available in Skagway 15 days before the election. Absentee ballots may also be voted in person at any of the election offices listed below. A notice of the election will be mailed to each registered voter in addition to candidate filing forms and information.

Region I Office 9109 Mendenhall Mall Rd Ste 3 P.O. Box 110018 Juneau, AK 99811-0018

Region II Office 2525 Gambell Suite 100 Anchorage, AK 99503-2838 Region III Office 675 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste H3 Fairbanks, AK 99701-4594 Region IV Office 103 Front St P.O. Box 577 Nome, AK 99762-0577

Kenai Election Office 11312 Kenai Spur Highway, Ste 45 Kenai, AK 99611 Matanuska-Susitna Elections Office North Fork Professional Bldg. 1700 East Bogard Rd Ste B102 Wasilla, AK 99654

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